IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD
(Special Original Jurisdiction)

WEDNESDAY, THE TWENTY THIRD DAY OF JUNE
TWO THOUSAND AND FOUR

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MR JUSTICE S.ANANDA REDDY

WRIT PETITION NO : 10244 of 2004

Between:

Tameria Rambabu S/o Subbarao
Achayyapeta, Gokavaram Mandal, East Godvari Dist.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1 The Superintending of Police, East Godavari Dist, Kakinada.
2 The Deputy Superintendent of Police, Peddapuram , East Godavari Dist
3 The Inspector of Police , Peddapuram, East Godavari Dist
4 The Station House Officer, Peddapuram P.S., East Godavari Dist

.....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the Affidavit filed herein the High Court will be pleased to issue a writ, or order particularly in the nature of Mandamus or any other appropriate writ declaring the action of the respondents and their subordinate officers in East Godavari District in interfering with the exhibition of games of Skill such as 1.Ring throw, 2 Ball Box, 3 Video Games, 4. Dart Throw and 5. Steel Game as illegal, void, arbitrary and in contravention of section 15 of AP. Gaming Act., 1974.

Counsel for the Petitioner:MR.K.SARVA BHOUMA RAO

Counsel for the Respondents: GP FOR HOME

The Court made the following O R D E R:

This writ petition is filed by the petitioner aggrieved by the action of the respondents in interfering with the business of the petitioner in exhibiting skill games such as ring throw, ball box, video games, dart throw, steel game etc., even though the said games do not attract or contravene the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh Gaming Act, 1974 (for short "the Act").

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner contended that the respondent officials are interfering with the said activities of the petitioner, which is the sole source of livelihood to the petitioner, while providing entertainment to the children. He also stated that this Court has already disposed of similar matters.

3. Under the above circumstances, the writ petition is disposed of directing the respondents not to interfere with the activities of the petitioner referred to above. However, it is made clear that, if any game conducted by the petitioner is in contravention of the provisions of the Act, it is always open to the respondents to take appropriate action against him according to law.

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